

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 34, as shown below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the  
Application:

**Claims 1 - 21 (cancelled)**

**Claim 22 (previously presented):** A method for the manufacture of a cosmetic rinse-off composition for the treatment of the hair and/or the skin, which comprises adding to a rinse-off composition, containing conventional ingredients in conventional amounts, from 0.10 to 10% by weight percent dry matter, calculated on the total weight of the rinse-off composition, of the inulin-type fructan being oligofructose or inulin, which is free from (i) cationic polymeric conditioning agents, (ii) terpolymers composed of a monomer of a carboxylic acid containing an  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -mono-ethylenic unsaturation, a non-ionic monomer bearing a urethane group, and a non-surfactant monomer with mono-ethylenic unsaturation which is different from the first mentioned monomer, and (iii) polysaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan.

**Claim 23 (previously presented):** The method of claim 22, wherein the rinse-off composition is also free from monosaccharides and from di- and oligosaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan, apart from fructose, glucose, sucrose and difructose dianhydride.

**Claim 24 (previously presented):** The method of claim 22, wherein the inulin-type fructan is used as a conditioning agent.

**Claim 25 (previously presented):** The method of claim 22, wherein the inulin-type fructan is used as a complete substitute for cationic polymeric conditioning agents in conventional rinse-off compositions.

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**Claim 26 (previously presented):** The method of claim 22, wherein the rinse-off composition contains the inulin-type fructan at a concentration from 1 to 10% by weight.

**Claim 27 (previously presented):** The method of claim 22, wherein the inulin-type fructan is oligofructose.

**Claim 28 (previously presented):** The method of claim 27, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 2 to 9.

**Claim 29 (previously presented):** The method of claim 27, wherein the oligofructose as a DP ranging from 3 to 5.

**Claim 30 (previously presented):** The method of claim 22, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin.

**Claim 31 (previously presented):** The method of claim 30, wherein the inulin has a DP ranging from 2 to 100.

**Claim 32 (previously presented):** The method of claim 30, wherein the inulin-type fructan is chicory inulin with a DP ranging from 2 to 70.

**Claim 33 (previously presented):** The method of claim 30, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin from agave, Jerusalem artichoke or dahlia.

**Claim 34 (currently amended):** A process for the manufacture of a cosmetic rinse-off composition, ~~the components of a conventional rinse-off composition~~ which comprises co-mixing ~~with with~~ 0.10% to 10% weight, calculated on the total weight of the rinse-off composition, of an inulin-type fructan selection from an oligofructose or an inulin, with water and one or more other components in conventional amounts of conventional rinse-off compositions, with the exception of (i) cationic polymeric conditioning agents, (ii) terpolymers composed of a monomer of a carboxylic acid containing an  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -mono-ethylenic unsaturation, a

non-ionic monomer bearing a urethane group, and a non-surfactant monomer with mono-ethylenic unsaturation which is different from the first mentioned monomer, and (iii) polysaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan, ~~are co-mixed~~.

**Claim 35 (previously presented):** The process of claim 34, wherein neither the inulin-type fructan component nor said other components include monosaccharides or di- and oligosaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan, apart from fructose, glucose, sucrose and difructose dianhydride.

**Claim 36 (previously presented):** The process of claim 34, wherein the rinse-off composition contains the inulin-type fructan at a concentration from 1 to 10 weight percent.

**Claim 37 (previously presented):** The process of claim 34, comprising the step of co-mixing one or more components or parts of said components with one or more premix compositions that contain the remaining components and/or a complementary part of the former components, or co-mixing two or more pre-mix compositions.

**Claim 38 (previously presented):** The process of claim 34, wherein the inulin-type fructan is oligofructose.

**Claim 39 (previously presented):** The process of claim 38, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 2 to 9.

**Claim 40 (previously presented):** The process of claim 38, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 3 to 5.

**Claim 41 (previously presented):** The process of claim 34, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin.

**Claim 42 (previously presented):** The process of claim 41, wherein the inulin has a DP ranging from 2 to 100.

**Claim 43 (previously presented):** The process of claim 41, wherein the inulin-type fructan is chicory inulin with a DP ranging from 2 to 70.

**Claim 44 (previously presented):** The process of claim 41, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin from agave, Jerusalem artichoke or dahlia.

**Claim 45 (previously presented):** A cosmetic rinse-off composition, comprising from 0.10% to 10% weight calculated on the total weight of the rinse-off composition, of an inulin-type fructan being an oligofructose or an inulin, water and one or more other components constituted by one or more ingredients in conventional amounts of conventional cosmetic rinse-off compositions, with the exception of (i) cationic polymeric conditioning agents, (ii) terpolymers composed of a monomer of a carboxylic acid containing an  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -mono-ethylenic unsaturation, a non-ionic monomer bearing a urethane group, and a non-surfactant monomer with mono-ethylenic unsaturation which is different from the first mentioned monomer, and (iii) polysaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan.

**Claim 46 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 45, wherein the rinse-off composition is also free from monosaccharides and from di- and oligosaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan, apart from fructose, glucose, sucrose and difructose dianhydride.

**Claim 47 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 45, wherein the rinse-off composition contains the inulin-type fructan at a concentration from 1 to 10% by weight.

**Claim 48 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 45, wherein the inulin-type fructan is oligofructose.

**Claim 49 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 48, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 2 to 9.

**Claim 50 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 48, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 3 to 5.

**Claim 51 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 45, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin.

**Claim 52 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 51, wherein the inulin has a DP ranging from 2 to 100.

**Claim 53 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 51, wherein the inulin-type fructan is chicory inulin with a DP ranging from 2 to 70.

**Claim 54 (previously presented):** The cosmetic rinse-off composition of claim 51, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin from agave, Jerusalem artichoke or dahlia.

**Claim 55 (previously presented):** A process for the treatment of the hair and/or the skin, comprising rinsing the hair and/or skin with an inulin-type fructan which is an oligofructose or an inulin as claimed in claim 45.

**Claim 56 (previously presented):** The process of claim 55, wherein the inulin-type fructan is oligofructose.

**Claim 57 (previously presented):** The process of claim 56, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 2 to 9.

**Claim 58 (previously presented):** The process of claim 56, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 3 to 5.

**Claim 59 (previously presented):** The process of claim 55, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin.

**Claim 60 (previously presented):** The process of claim 59, wherein the inulin has a DP ranging from 2 to 100.

**Claim 61 (previously presented):** The process of claim 59, wherein the inulin-type fructan is chicory inulin with a DP ranging from 2 to 70.

**Claim 62 (previously presented):** The process of claim 59, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin from agave, Jerusalem artichoke or dahlia.

**Claim 63 (previously presented):** The process of claim 55, wherein the inulin-type fructan is used as a complete substitute for cationic polymeric conditioning agents used in conventional rinse-off compositions.

**Claim 64 (previously presented):** The process of claim 55, wherein the rinse-off composition is a composition as claimed in claim 46.

**Claim 65 (previously presented):** The process of claim 64, wherein the rinse-off composition is also free from monosaccharides and from di- and oligosaccharides that are different from the inulin-type fructan, apart from fructose, glucose, sucrose and difructose dianhydride.

**Claim 66 (previously presented):** The process of claim 64, wherein the rinse-off composition contains the inulin-type fructan at a concentration from 1 to 10% weight percent.

**Claim 67 (previously presented):** The process of claim 64, wherein the inulin-type fructan is oligofructose.

**Claim 68 (previously presented):** The process of claim 67, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 2 to 9.

**Claim 69 (previously presented):** The process of claim 67, wherein the oligofructose has a DP ranging from 3 to 5.

**Claim 70 (previously presented):** The process of claim 46, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin.

**Claim 71 (previously presented):** The process of claim 70, wherein the inulin has a DP ranging from 2 to 100.

**Claim 72 (previously presented):** The process of claim 70, wherein the inulin-type fructan is chicory inulin with a DP ranging from 2 to 70.

**Claim 73 (previously presented):** The process of claim 70, wherein the inulin-type fructan is inulin from agave, Jerusalem artichoke or dahlia.

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